

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

1 State of Arkansas
2 84th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2003

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1938

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5 By: Representative Adams
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO EXPAND THE OFFENSE OF SEXUAL ASSAULT IN
10 THE FOURTH DEGREE TO INCLUDE SEXUAL CONTACT WITH
11 A PERSON NOT THE PERSON'S SPOUSE WHO IS LESS THAN
12 SIXTEEN YEARS OF AGE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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15 ASSAULT IN THE FOURTH DEGREE TO INCLUDE
16 SEXUAL CONTACT WITH A PERSON NOT THE
17 PERSON'S SPOUSE WHO IS LESS THAN SIXTEEN
18 YEARS OF AGE.
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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24 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 5-14-127 is amended to read as follows:
25 5-14-127. Sexual assault in the fourth degree.

26 (a)(1) A person commits sexual assault in the fourth degree if, ~~being~~
27 ~~twenty (20) years of age or older,~~ the person engages in sexual intercourse,
28 ~~or~~ deviate sexual activity, ~~or sexual contact~~ with another person, not the
29 person's spouse, who is less than sixteen (16) years of age; or

30 (2) The person engages in sexual contact with another person,
31 not the person's spouse, who is less than sixteen (16) years of age.

32 (3) It is an affirmative defense under this section that the
33 person was not more than three (3) years older than the victim.

34 ~~(b)(c)(1)~~ Sexual assault in the fourth degree is a ~~Class A~~
35 ~~misdemeanor.~~ Class D felony.

36 (2) Sexual assault in the fourth degree is a Class A misdemeanor



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1 if the person only engages in sexual contact with another person as described
2 in subdivision (a)(2) his section.

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